

REMARKS

Prior to a first examination of the non-provisional application filed herewith, please enter the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

Specification

In the CLAIMS section, on page 27, line 2, the specification has been amended to add the introductory remarks to the claims, "What is claimed is:".

CONCLUSION

A first examination of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

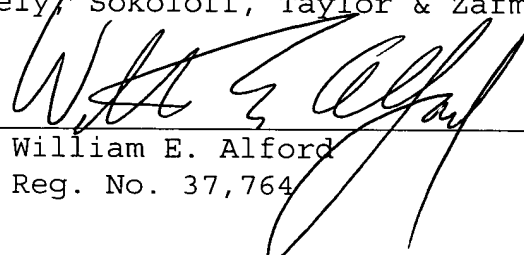
The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned counsel by telephone at (714) 557-3800 should there be any questions.

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Respectfully submitted,

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